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ASSIMILATING DATA FROM
ANCILLARY PREUMBRA
SYSTEMS ONTO AN
ENTERPRISE SYSTEM**

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In response to an Office Action mailed 4/23/03, Applicants' representative requests an interview with the Examiner and a Primary Examiner with signatory authority for the purpose of discussing the outstanding rejection and cited alleged prior art with regard to the present claims. Applicants' representative sincerely believes that such an interview would clarify the issues and lead to a expedited allowance of the claims.

Applicants' representative proposes the interview for discussion of the following:

- 1) the presently claimed invention, generally;
- 2) the "data management" features not taught or suggest by the cited reference, including the limitations of:
 - a) "determining whether data stored in the ancillary system is conducive to being processed into the value," (Claim 1) and
 - b) "retrieving the data from one of the ancillary systems and the data processing system based on whether data stored in the ancillary system is conducive to being processed into the value;" (Claim 1) and

3) the limitations applied to data in the "data processing system," as claimed by claim 2, *et seq.*

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